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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, lines 1-20 with the following amended paragraph:

The product 31 is preferably a solid product that is cast or extruded onto the first side 22 of the product carrier 21, as shown in Figure 5. However, the product 31 could also be glued, attached with VELCRO®, or otherwise operatively connected by means well known in the art to the product carrier 21. As the product 31 is being cast or extruded onto the first side 22 of the product carrier 21, the product 31 fills in the apertures 25, and the countersunk portions 26 of apertures 25 allow the product 31 to fan or spread out proximate the second side 23 of the product carrier 21. When the product 31 solidifies onto the product carrier 21, this fanning or spreading out of the product 31 in the countersunk portions 26 proximate the second side 23 holds the product 31 onto the first side 22 of the product carrier 21, as shown in Figure 7. A substantial portion of the product 31 extends from the first side 22 of the product carrier 21 away from the plate member 11 and the second side 23 of the product carrier 21 faces the front side 12 of the plate member 11. The substantial portion being at least about 85% of the product 31 on the side of the carrier 21 from which the product 31 is dispensed. The product 31 extends approximately 3/4 inch from the first side 22 of the product carrier 21. The preferred embodiment utilizes a solid fabric softener as the product 31 that is fixedly cast or extruded onto the product carrier 21. The solid fabric softener is described in U.S. Patent Application Serial Number ~~(Merchant & Gould Docket Number 163-1453US01)~~ 10/120,891, filed on even date herewith April 10, 2002, entitled Fabric Softener Composition and Methods for Manufacturing and Using, which is incorporated by reference herein.